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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 0849

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PLOS
SUBJ: LOS: REGIONAL ARAB LOS MEETING, CAIRO 18 JANUARY

REF: STATE 09443

1. POLCOUNS CALLED ON MFA DIRECTOR LEGAL DEPT
NABIL AL ARABY, WHO WILL HEAD GOE DEL TO LOS EXPERTS MEETING,
JAN 15 TO DISCUSS REFTEL. FOLLOWING POLCOUNDS
PRESENTATION OF TALKING POINTS, AL ARABY RESPONDED
THAT PRESENTATION APPEARED TO BE RESTATEMENT OF WELL
KNOWN U.S. POSITION AND CONTAINED NOTHING NEW.
POLCOUNS SAID WE THOUGH IT VERY IMPORTANT THAT
ARAB STATES CLEARLY UNDERSTAND U.S. POSITIONS
PRIOR TO JAN. 18 EXPERTS MEETING.

2. AL ARABY SAID MEETING SCHEDULED TO LAST UNTIL
JAN. 27 BUT HE DID NOT CARE TO SPECULATE ON OUTCOME.
THERE WERE SEVERAL IMPORTANT DIFFERENCES AMONG ARABS
SUCH AS TUNISIAN-LIBYAN DISPUTE OVER DIVISION OF
ECONOMIC ZONE AND QUESTION OF STRAITS. ON LATTER
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POINT AL ARABY SAID ALL STATES EXCEPT MOROCCO AND
SOUTH YEMEN SUPPORT FREE TRANSIT BETWEEN
HIGH SEAS. IN ADDITION TO ISSUES OF PARTICULAR
IMPORTANCE TO ARABS, MEETING WOULD ALSO TRY TO
COORDINATE ARAB POSITION WITH GROUP OF 77 POSITIONS.

3. CHARGE ATTEMPTING TO SEE MFA UNDER SECRETARY

OSMAN TO MAKE PARALLEL DEMARCHE, BUT MFA OFFICIALS
BUSY WITH ARAB FORMINS MEETING WHICH BEGAN AT
1100 LOCAL TODAY.

4. AL ARABY NOTED IN PASSING THAT PERMANENT
HEAD OF BRITISH LOS DEL LOGAN ARRIVING IN CAIRO
JAN. 16 AND HE WOULD BE MEETING WITH HIM JAN. 17.
MATTHEWS

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